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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace the listing of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A Method method of fixing a power light-emitting diode
 10 ~~{1}~~ having a metallic base ~~{2}~~ to a metallic heat-radiating element ~~{3}~~, ~~characterised by the~~
~~fact that~~ comprising the step of laser spot welding the base ~~{2}~~ of the light-emitting diode
~~is fixed~~ to the radiating element ~~{3}~~ ~~by laser spot welding~~ ~~{11}~~.
2. (currently amended) A Method method according to Claim 1, ~~characterised by~~
~~he fact that~~ wherein the radiating element ~~{3}~~ is coated with a layer ~~{6}~~ of a metal, able to
 15 absorb the energy of a laser light.
3. (currently amended) A Method method according to Claim 1, ~~characterised by~~
~~he fact that~~ wherein each welding spot has a centre and wherein the centres of the
 welding spots ~~{11}~~ are distributed substantially regularly over a contour parallel to the
 external perimeter of the base.
- 20 4. (currently amended) A Method method according to Claim 1, ~~characterised by~~
~~he fact that~~ wherein the welding spots ~~{11}~~ are produced in the vicinity of the external
 perimeter of the base ~~{2}~~.
5. (currently amended) An Indicating indicating or lighting device for a car,
 comprising a power light-emitting diode ~~whose~~ having a base, mainly made from copper,
 25 which is fixed to a metallic heat-radiating element, ~~for example made from copper,~~
~~characterised by the fact that~~ wherein the base ~~{2}~~ of the diode is fixed by laser spot
 welding ~~{11}~~ to the radiating element ~~{3}~~.

5 6. (currently amended) A Device device according to Claim 5, ~~characterised by~~
~~the fact wherein~~ the radiating element ~~(3)~~ is covered with a layer ~~(G)~~ of a metal for
absorbing the laser radiation, ~~for example a layer of nickel.~~

7. (currently amended) A Device device according to Claim 5, ~~characterised by~~
~~the fact that wherein each welding spot has a centre and wherein~~ the centres of the
10 welding spots ~~(11)~~ are distributed substantially regularly over a contour parallel to the
external perimeter of the base.

8. (currently amended) A Device device according to Claim 7, ~~characterised by~~
~~the fact that wherein~~ the welding spots ~~(11)~~ are distributed ~~close~~ adjacent to the external
perimeter of the base ~~(2)~~.

15 9. (currently amended) A Device device according to Claim 5, ~~characterised by~~
~~the fact that the means (B) of centring the base (2) of the diode are provided on the heat-~~
~~radiating element (3) and comprise~~ comprising projections ~~produced in on~~ the radiating
element ~~(3)~~ for centering the base of the diode.

10. (currently amended) A Device device according to Claim 5, ~~characterised by~~
20 ~~the fact that wherein~~ the electrodes ~~(1a, 1b)~~ of the diode are laser spot welded to
conductive lugs.

11. (currently amended) A Device device according to Claim 5, ~~characterised by~~
~~the fact that wherein~~ the heat-radiating element ~~(3)~~ to which the base ~~(2)~~ of the light-
emitting diode is fixed is attached to an insulating support ~~(4)~~ situated on the opposite side
25 to the diode with respect to the radiating element, ~~this said~~ insulating support ~~(4)~~
comprising electrical connection lugs ~~(9a, 9b; 10a, 10b)~~, each electrode ~~(1a, 1b)~~ of the
diode being connected respectively to a lug, the ~~said~~ insulating support ~~(4)~~ comprising
openings ~~(5; 14)~~ in line with the base and openings ~~(6a, 6b; 15a, 15b)~~ in line with the
electrodes of the diode for passage of the laser welding beam.

5 12. (currently amended) A Device device according to Claim 11, ~~characterised by~~
~~the fact that~~ wherein the connecting lugs ~~{9a, 9b}~~ are situated on the side of the insulating
support ~~{4}~~ turned disposed towards the radiating element ~~{3}~~.

10 13. (currently amended) A Device device according to Claim 11, ~~characterised by~~
~~the fact that~~ wherein the connecting lugs ~~{15a, 15b}~~ are situated on the side of the
insulating support ~~{4}~~ opposite to the heat-radiating element ~~{3}~~ and the connection
between each connecting lug and the corresponding electrode of the diode is effected
through a window ~~{15a, 15b}~~ provided in the insulating support ~~{4}~~ and another window
~~{13a, 13b}~~ provided in the radiating element.

15 14. (currently amended) A Device device according to Claim 5, ~~characterised by~~
~~the fact that~~ wherein the heat-radiating element ~~{3}~~ to which the base ~~{2}~~ of the light-
emitting diode is fixed is attached to an insulating support ~~{4}~~ situated on the same side as
the diode ~~{2}~~ with respect to the heat radiator ~~{3}~~, an opening ~~{14}~~ being provided in the
insulating support ~~{4}~~ in line with the base ~~{2}~~ of the light-emitting diode for its housing and
its coming into contact with the radiator, and openings ~~{15a, 15b}~~ being provided ~~also~~ for
20 the electrodes.

 15. (currently amended) A Device device according to Claim 5, ~~characterised by~~
~~the fact that~~ wherein the insulating support ~~{4}~~ is moulded onto the heat-radiating element
~~{3}~~, providing openings in line with the location of the base ~~{2}~~ of the light-emitting diode
and for the electrodes.

25 16. (currently amended) A Device device according to Claim 5, ~~characterised in~~
~~that~~ wherein the base ~~{2}~~ of the diode ~~{1}~~ is principally of copper.

 17. (currently amended) A Device device according to Claim 5, ~~characterised in~~
~~that~~ wherein the heat radiator ~~{3}~~ is principally composed of copper.